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House of Representatives

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, April 15, 2002, at 2 p.m.

Senate

FRIDAY, APRIL 12, 2002

The Senate met at 10:30 a.m. and was called to order by the Honorable Thomas R. Carper, a Senator from the State of Delaware.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Our guest Chaplain today, Father Daniel Coughlin, Chaplain of the U.S. House of Representatives, will lead the Senate in prayer. Father.

PRAYER

The guest Chaplain offered the following prayer:

Lord God of Heaven and Earth, be our shepherd and our guide. Bring light into the darkest corners of our world and the darkest recesses of our hearts. From within, bring forth desires for lasting peace that will be born not only of human compromise but of Your creation in human hearts. Shed wisdom and understanding upon the Senate, all lawmakers, courts of justice, and negotiators. Be assurance to the doubtful, fearful, and depressed. Freed of hatred and malice, bring forth purity of conscience to all and faithfulness to Your word and promises, especially to all those rooted in Abrahamic faith. Grant health to the sick, consolation to the grieving, recovery to the addicted, and safety to the children of the world. In You, O Lord God, we are renewed. In You, Lord God, we place our trust now and forever. Amen.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Honorable THOMAS R. CARPER led the Pledge of Allegiance, as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Repub-

lic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will please read a communication to the Senate from the President protempore (Mr. BYRD).

The assistant legislative clerk read the following letter:

U.S. SENATE,
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, April 12, 2002.

 $To\ the\ Senate:$

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable THOMAS R. CARPER, a Senator from the State of Delaware, to perform the duties of the Chair.

ROBERT C. BYRD,
President pro tempore.

Mr. CARPER thereupon assumed the chair as Acting President pro tempore.

RECOGNITION OF THE ACTING MAJORITY LEADER

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The acting majority leader is recognized.

SCHEDULE

Mr. REID. Mr. President, the Senate is going to proceed momentarily to a period for morning business until 11:30 a.m. At 11:30 a.m., the Senate will begin consideration of the border security bill. There will be no rollcall votes today. As the majority leader had me announce yesterday, there will be a rollcall vote or votes Monday evening.

This past week we worked very hard on legislation. We, of course, did not make the progress we wanted to make, but we did OK. We were able to complete election reform, we were able to get border security, and we were able to work through some very difficult amendments. I hope, as soon as we get off border security, we will be able to go to ANWR. If not, the majority leader is going to go to other issues. We have waited such a long time for ANWR, and as of yesterday, they did not have an amendment ready to offer. We hope we can complete action on the energy bill next week.

RESERVATION OF LEADER TIME

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the leadership time is reserved.

MORNING BUSINESS

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, there will now be a period for the transaction of morning business not to extend beyond the hour of 11:30 a.m., with Senators permitted to speak for up to 10 minutes each, with the time to be equally divided between the two leaders or their designees.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The clerk will call the roll.

The assistant legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Ms. LANDRIEU. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

• This "bullet" symbol identifies statements or insertions which are not spoken by a Member of the Senate on the floor.

